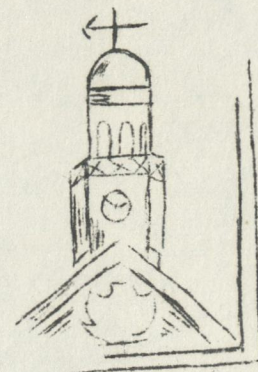




ALUMNI NEWS LETTER



SPRING HOMECOMING * * * * SATURDAY, JUNE 3rd, 1950

Stop! Look! Listen! Here's what's cooking !!!

ENTERTAINMENT * A GOOD DINNER (no speakers) * A TOP-NOTCH ORCHESTRA
and
A WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY TO SEE YOUR OLD FRIENDS

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YOUR COLLEGE SAYS "COME AND SPEND THE WEEKEND". There will be plenty of rooms in the mens' dormitory and the womens' dormitory. Just be sure to make reservations with Miss Black or Mrs. Cooper. Grab your husband if you have one (if not, get one) or grab your wife, if you have one (ifso, God bless you!) and let's get together! After all, everybody is welcome and we want to see what kind of a better half hooked you when you left S. T. C.

Just look at this PROGRAM!!!

Friday, 8 p. m.	Senior Ball
Saturday, 3 p. m.	Alumni Nonsense on the Stage of the College Auditorium
Saturday, 3:45 p. m.	Afternoon Refreshments with Miss Ruth in the Social Room
Saturday, 5:30 p. m.	Alumni Dinner
Saturday, 7:00 p. m.	Alumni Digest - Dining Room
Saturday, 7:30 p. m.	Alumni <u>Sunset</u> Induction Ceremony
Sat., 8:30pm, Dance - Will Smith and his Orchestra (Dress - optional)	
Sunday 2:30 p. m.	Baccalaureate - College Auditorium
Monday 10:30 a. m.	Commencement - College Auditorium

REMEMBER !!! ALL ALUMNI and their husbands, wives, dates, drags, and stags are welcome. Come on - get a baby sitter now! Leave those tots and let's have a good time together again!

Important (Detach and return this immediately!)

Mrs. Anna Jones Cooper
State Teachers College
Salisbury, Maryland

Important

I'll be there on Saturday, June 3rd _____ Expected arrival time _____
Please make reservations for _____ for the Alumni Dinner.
Please make reservations for _____ in the men's dormitory.
Please make reservations for _____ in the women's dormitory.

Bring your Alumni files up-to-date with the following information:

Name _____ Class _____

Wife or Husband's name _____

Address _____

"What I Got Paid For" or occupation _____

(Useback of sheet for addresses of alumni who have recently moved.)

ALUMNI PLAQUE DEBT ERASED!

Dr. Blackwell grants funds for last payment on the War Memorial Plaque

The final payment on the Alumni Association War Memorial Plaque has been authorized through the splendid cooperation of the College and its president, Dr. J. D. Blackwell.

The Association was notified two weeks ago that the college would pay one hundred seventy-five dollars to the Alumni Association for the express purpose of paying the balance due on the Memorial Plaque with the understanding that ten names of Alumni Veterans who were omitted from the original Memorial would be added. This move has been welcomed by the whole Association, as a genuine example of the cooperation and friendliness that exists on the part of the administration of the college toward the Alumni Association. Much credit and appreciation is extended to Dr. Blackwell for his kindness.

A CALL TO ACTION

One-quarter of a century has passed since our College was born. We look back over that quarter-century with pride, for our College is an institution of which we should be justly proud. It has an excellent faculty with capable administration. It has an adequate library. Our building is beautiful, and ground has been broken for another, with more to come. The athletic teams have made a name for themselves in all sports. Our products --- the graduates and transfers to other colleges --- have proven successful additions to the communities in which they have settled. In fact, we have everything any college boasts -- except a strong, active alumni association.

There are eleven hundred of us scattered throughout the country. Surely that is enough to institute a vigorous alumni program. Although most of us are teachers, many other vocations are represented, giving us a variety of talents and experiences from which to choose. Since we are not a new college-- this is our Silver Anniversary Year -- our earlier alumni have had time to become established in life. What we need now is the drive to go ahead.

The alumni of the school should be one of the strongest public relations organizations possible. It is our duty to make our school recognized throughout the state. More and more out of state students are being attracted to S. T. C. through the influence of alumni who have made homes in other states. In a similar manner, we must encourage the finer students from our own Maryland high schools to attend Salisbury S. T. C. We must bring the name of the school before the general public and the state legislature. When we say, "I attended Salisbury State Teachers College," we want people to recognize the name of the school and answer, "I've heard that's a good college!"

The Alumni Association has taken an increasingly active part in the work of the college during the past few years. Recently a bronze plaque honoring our members who served in the War was mounted on the front of the school. The Association has sponsored several fund-raising activities to pay for the plaque and to carry on its regular business. Alumni Committees are assisting with the various activities of the Silver Anniversary Year, and Alumni will be invited to all of the functions. Along with the invitations news will be sent out from time to time. This also involves some expense. The officers would like to expand this news letter into a printed paper, but we do not have the necessary finances. It would be desirable if we could have an Alumni Room at S. T. C. for the keeping of a registration and guest book, a record of items of interest to alumni, and for a meeting place for those who return to the Alma Mater at irregular intervals. Again no funds. During the M.S.T.A. Convention weekends, perhaps we could reserve a room or suite in a hotel for the convenience of our Salisbury S. T. C. Alumni who would like a place to relax and meet old friends, but our financial condition prevents even that small an expenditure.

A good turnout at our spring meeting in June with dues for the current year would help the situation. This meeting is important because the newly-proposed Constitution will be discussed. Also plans for the Silver Anniversary pageant will be revealed. Back your College through your Alumni Association! If you cannot be present send your dues or a contribution to the Alumni Treasurer--Mr. Ben Nelson, Berlin, Maryland, or to Mrs. Anna Jones Cooper, State Teachers College, Salisbury, Maryland.

-- Bob Potter,
President 1950

A NEW CONSTITUTION

At the last Home Coming meeting, the inadequacy of the existing Alumni Association constitution became apparent. The growth of the organization has brought a need for a revision. A committee composed of Wendell A. Potter, Marshall Moore, and Bob Potter, was appointed to draft a complete new constitution. Various members of the Association were shown the draft, and their ideas were incorporated as the first draft was re-worked. This new revision of the constitution will be formally presented at the spring meeting, and voted upon at the next Homecoming.

GROUNDBREAKING FOR MEN'S NEW DORMITORY

The Fifteenth Annual High School Junior-Senior Day at the State Teachers College on March 31, 1950, was marked by groundbreaking exercises for the new \$250,000, 51-room men's dormitory. A large number of high school juniors and seniors were present to join college students, faculty members and friends in the ceremony. A color guard of student and faculty members who were in the armed forces during the war led the parade from the school to the site of the new building. The Wicomico High School band provided the music. Mr. Levin Heath, president of the Student Government Association, introduced Dr. Blackwell, who gave a few remarks and turned the first shovel of earth. State Senator Wallace H. White reviewed the history of the college since its founding in 1925. Brief remarks were added by the Hon. Wm. S. Gordy, Jr., Mrs. Mary Nock, who is a Wicomico County delegate to the State Legislature, Mr. John B. Funk, who is Chief State Building Engineer, Dr. T. G. Pullen, Jr., who is the State Superintendent of Schools, and Mr. Horace M. Morgan, who is a member of the State Board of Education. While the College Glee Club, under the direction of Mrs. Jessie L. Fleming, sang the Alma Mater, the speakers each turned a spadeful of earth, using the spade which was used at the groundbreaking ceremony for the original building. The Rev. Niles Compton, a student at the college, closed the services with a benediction, (The contract for the new dormitory will be awarded on June 6, at two p. m. in Mr. John B. Funk's office)

The well-remembered gym exhibition followed the groundbreaking. With dinner and tours of the building completed, the guests were treated to a few numbers by the Glee Club in the Auditorium. Dr. Blackwell announced the Campus Leaders and winners of the Achievement Key. The finalists of four amateur shows competed for the grand award. The acts were well applauded. The evening closed with the traditional dance in the gym, and many alumni as well as high school students were seen among the throng.

Included in those "alums" present during the afternoon and evening were Mrs. Ellen LeBel, Miss Peggy Hastings, Elmo "Buzz" Powell, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Don Hall (Virginia Rounds), Mr. and Mrs. Wendell A. Potter (Jeanie Holland), Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Clark (Betsy Gollison), Mr. and Mrs. Bill Woolston (Audrey Stayton), Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Moore (Ruth Baldwin), Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dykes (Petie Hayman), Mr. and Mrs. Bob Potter, Walt Potter, Goldy Tyler, Norman Moore, and Nolan Owens.

At the Homecoming last fall, the members of the Alumni Association were the guests of the College for an eventful day. The S. T. C. soccer team honored the former students with a victory over Wesley College squad from Dover. In the Social Room, "Miss Ruth" Powell presided over the tea table while old friends recalled their college associations. Later tours were conducted to acquaint the guests with the changes in the building, especially the men's new dorm on the third floor.

During the business meeting, four items appeared on the agenda. The group decided to sponsor magician Jimmy Snow in order to raise money to pay the debt on the plaque honoring our members who served in the armed forces during the war. The need for a new constitution arose and was discussed. The approaching Silver Anniversary Year received attention. A committee was authorized to assist Dr. Blackwell in the planning of the Celebration. Finally, the following officers were elected for the current year: president, Bob Potter; vice-president, Beulah Dixon Fleming; recording secretary, Mrs. Anna Jones Cooper; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Margaret Jones Bloodsworth; and treasurer Ben Nelson.

At the customary Homecoming banquet, the alumni were the guests of the College, and Jimmy Snow entertained the diners with feats of mental telepathy. A dance in the gym closed the day.

Larger groups are returning every year, and the Association is looking forward to a record crowd at the spring meeting in June.

SILVER ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Twenty-five years ago this September, the first class entered Salisbury State Normal School for a two year course. Many changes have been made since that memorable day in September 1925. We have grown from a normal school to a four year teachers college. Our first two years of work offer opportunities to transfer students who benefit from the advantages of the small college before becoming lost in the crowded universities. In our first quarter-century, over 1100 students have studied at S. T. C. and gone out to make their contribution to the world. The faculty has grown, and now it includes some of our own graduates. The building has grown, and additions are being planned. Ground has been broken for a men's new dormitory. A new demonstration school will soon follow, and other buildings are being sought. More than 25 additional acres of land have been purchased.

To celebrate our silver anniversary, a series of events have been planned throughout 1950. The Alumni Association was asked to assist in the planning of these events, and a committee was appointed to meet with Dr. Blackwell and his faculty committee. Each member of the committee was given specific responsibilities to undertake. The Alumni members and their duties are Mrs. Ruth Baldwin Moore (recording secretary for the combined Alumni-Faculty Committee), Mrs. Margaret Laws Engle (publicity), Mrs. Anna Jones Cooper (historical research), Ed Holloway (current research), and Bob Potter (informing alumni of plans and encouraging their participation).

The following calendar of events was scheduled:

March 31, High School Seniors Day

May 3, May Day

Alumni Day, June 3

Baccalaureate Service, June 4

Commencement, June 5th

Sept. 7, Special Assembly commemorating the 25th Anniversary of the college.

Fall Homecoming, October 14

Christmas Candlelight Service, December 20th

Alumni are urged to attend these activities whenever possible.

The pageant will be the climax of the celebration. It will portray the history of the college in its first twenty-five years. Mr. MacCurdy Burnet is going to incorporate the material collected by Dr. Thomas, Mrs. Cooper, and Mr. Holloway. Anyone possessing any interesting facts, stories, or memorabilia concerning the early days of the College is requested to get in touch with Mrs. Cooper at the college. Mr. Holloway is seeking information on early graduates and any former student who has achieved prominence in his community. Many alumni are advancing in education as principals and supervisors. Others have earned honors in other fields. Information on these people would be greatly appreciated. Write to Edward Holloway, Berlin, Maryland.

THEY WILL DO IT VERY TIME!!

HAZEL JENKINS HEARNE is now an educational, philanthropic horticulturist! She teaches in Delmar, takes her son, Stanley, to school with her, and manages a small florist shop on the Ocean City Boulevard. Philanthropic -- well, she fertilizes the flowers most generously.

HELEN ADAMS became Mrs. Ward Jump in a beautiful April wedding!

HARRIET WHEATLEY proved an adept "figger filbert" by devising a mathematical formula by which the Salisbury Social Security Office could save immeasurable time in its calculations! She received a cash award!

ERNIE THOMPSON has turned politician. He is running for State's Attorney in Talbot County. P. S. His wife is a lawyer, too.

DR. WADE CARUTHERS, a professor at Keene State Teachers College, Keene, N. H., visited Dr. and Mrs. T. J. Caruthers during the spring vacation.

MARIE STAUFFER HUGHES, JANE TILMONS WHITE, GLADYS BROWN EVANS, AND GRACE WOOD represented their classes at the 1950 May Day Program. It was a mighty beautiful court.

VIRGINIA ROSE VINCENT HINES to DR. IDABELLE THOMAS, from Ankara, Turkey -

"I'm really sorry I'm going to miss STC's Silver Anniversary; it seems impossible it's been 25 years ago, for I can remember when what is now the elementary school was being built, and I almost refuse to admit it's been that long since I was a little girl! I sincerely feel I have a great deal to thank the college for, for the education I received there has served me well. I just know it's the best in the country, and I defy anyone to show me a school that can offer anything better for future teachers, or citizens - or what have you - so there!

I've also often wondered if I've ever thanked you for opening the door for me on the realization that history is people and not dates and places. You started my love for it in elementary school, and I've loved it ever since. The nicest thing about my whole teaching career, short as it was, was the fact that I had three history classes and only one of everything else. And I'm especially grateful now that I'm having a chance to visit some of the places I've only dreamed of before. Thank you, Mrs. Thomas! I have also received a wonderful letter from Dr. Matthews, and hope to write her right away. Will you please give my love to all my old friends at STC, and extend my best wishes for the success of the 25th Year celebration?"

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